## House Resolution No. 2552

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize Robert "Bob" Childers, well known and respected businessman and philanthropist in Nixa, Missouri; and

Whereas, the owner and operator of Eagle Pride Automotive, Bob Childers is dedicated to improving the lives of all of Nixa's residents; and

Whereas, Bob Childers has participated in the Nixa Chamber of Commerce Adopt-a-Class program for seven years, but instead of supporting just one classroom, he adopts an entire school, the alternative high school in Nixa, also known as SCORE; and

Whereas, the embodiment of "altruism", Bob Childers is passionate about SCORE because he cares so deeply about preventing drug use, suicide, and drop-outs, and he provides a \$500 scholarship each year, a celebratory lunch for students with good attendance records, pizza parties, and gift certificates as incentives for students to succeed; and

Whereas, the deserving recipient of the Missouri State Teachers Association's Friends of Education award and the Nixa School District's Volunteer of the Year Award, Bob Childers serves on the Nixa School District A+ Committee and supports a food program for underprivileged students; and

Whereas, Bob Childers supports the Senior Citizen Auction with auction items and he liberally gives his time organizing and administration efforts; and

Whereas, Bob Childers is a strong advocate of Least of These, a charity that provides hundreds of area families with clothing, food, and more, and he holds an annual fund-raiser for the non-profit; and

Whereas, Bob Childers serves on the Nixa Emergency 911 Board through the Nixa Fire District and is an active member of the Chamber of Commerce, for which he served a two-year term on the board of directors and spent seven years on the Economic Development Committee; and

**Whereas**, Bob Childers is the beloved husband of Mea, a kindergarten teacher at Espy Elementary School, and the devoted father of Kara Cowie and Melina Childers:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend most sincere admiration and gratitude to Bob Childers for his many and various contributions to the community of Nixa; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Robert "Bob" Childers, as a measure of our esteem.

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